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RE: Alaska Certification of Support for Rural High—Cost Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R Sections 54.313-314, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 00-256

## To the Filing Representatives:

The Regulatory Commission of Alaska (Alaska Commission) hereby certifies that to the best of its knowledge based on certifications filed by the utilities involved, all federal high cost support provided to regulated rural carriers in this state will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This includes High Cost Loop support and Local Switching Support, and high cost support received pursuant to the purchase of exchanges. No companies in Alaska receive High Cost Model support.

Below is a list of regulated rural carriers certified as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers (ETC's) by the Alaska Commission pursuant to sections 54.314 of the FCC's rules (47 C.F.R. § 54.314), which require states to establish an annual certification process for rural carriers receiving federal high cost support. As requested by the Universal Service Administrative Company, listed beside each carrier is its assigned study area code, if known.

ETCs subject to annual certification under 47 C.F.R. 54.314(a)	Service Area Description NECA Code	ETC Type	
ACS of Alaska, Inc.	Greatland - 613022 Juneau - 613012	ILEC	Rural
ACS of Fairbanks, Inc.	Fairbanks - 613008	ILEC	Rural
ACS of the Northland, Inc.	Glacier State - 613010 Sitka - 613020	ILEC	Rural
Adak Eagle Enterprises d/b/a Adak Telephone Utility	610989	ILEC	Rural
Alaska Telephone Company	613017 (all exchanges served, including previous GTE exchanges)	ILEC	Rural
Bettles Telephone, Inc.	613002	ILEC	Rural
Bush-Tell, Inc.	613004	ILEC	Rural
Copper Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	613006	ILEC	Rural
GCI Communication Corp.	Fairbanks - 613008 Juneau - 613012 Greatland – 613022 MTA – 613015 Ketchikan - 603013	CLEC	Rural
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Matanuska Telephone Association, Inc.	613015	ILEC	Rural
Mukluk Telephone Company, Inc.	613016 (all exchanges served, including previous GTE exchange of Nome)	ILEC	Rural
North Country Telephone, Inc.	613026	ILEC	Rural
OTZ Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	613019	ILEC	Rural
Summit Telephone and Telegraph Company of Alaska, Inc.	613028	ILEC	Rural
United Utilities, Inc.	613023, UUI certificated service area	ILEC	Rural
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Our certification does not cover non-regulated wireline service areas and each carrier is responsible for self-certifying its compliance with Section 54.314(b) for such areas.

Our certification does not cover wireless carriers. These companies should be filing individual certifications with the FCC concerning the use of funds by a non-regulated entity.

Our certification does not preclude us from reviewing in further detail how any carrier has employed its federal universal service funds and ordering that use of funds comply with our directives or policies. Our decision does not bind us in future or pending rate cases and we reserve the right to conclude that a company should employ its universal service funding differently than it does today or in the future in light of more recent data or a more detailed review.

Sincerely,

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